

**Allegany College of Maryland  
Nursing Department**

**PROFESSIONAL INTERACTION GUIDELINES**

1. Professional attitude and communication are expected in every interaction in (class and clinical) with clients, staff, faculty and peers. Attitude and Communication must at all times reflect professional values of respect, altruism, autonomy, human dignity, integrity, and social justice as described in the ANA Code of Ethics.
2. Students will to the best of their ability and learning curve, utilize therapeutic communication principles in all interaction with faculty, staff, clients and peers.
3. **Staff** at any facility is in charge and responsible for evaluation of professionalism, attitude, client interaction, and dress. Their evaluation, whether communicated to faculty or student, concerning the student will be final.
4. Professionalism is instructed, discussed, modeled and practiced beginning in first semester. Error in professional attitude and interaction is not a mistake; it is a serious and intentional breach of respect, integrity and courtesy. It will not be tolerated.
5. **Any violation of professional interaction guidelines will result in the student's failure of the clinical component of the current nursing course.**